

SENATE BILL 220
By Miller

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, Chapter 13, Part 5 and Title 40, Chapter 35, Part 5, relative to sexual offenses committed against minors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-522, is amended by deleting subsections (b) and (c) and substituting instead the following:

(b) Rape of a child is a Class A felony punishable by imprisonment for life without possibility of parole.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-35-501, is amended by deleting subsection (g) and substituting instead the following:

(g) There shall be no release eligibility for a defendant receiving a sentence of imprisonment for life without parole as a repeat violent offender or for the offense of rape of a child committed on or after July 1, 2005.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.